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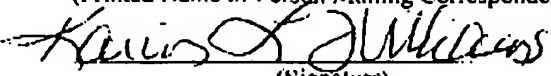
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits (and in further response to the final Office Action dated March 31, 2006, a Response After Final Rejection and Notice of Appeal having been filed on October 2, 2006), the time for further response extended one month, up to and including January 3, 2007 (January 2, 2007 being a Federal Holiday), kindly consider the following amendment prior to examination on the merits. A Request for Continued Examination accompanies this submission. In addition, any deficiencies may be charged to deposit account No. 50-1047.

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